



CALEB GOOD NEWS MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

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Pastor William Bruce, pictured left, is one of many grateful recipients of Caleb LBC Boxes of food, clothing, medicines and school supplies in 2014.

Hilario Alfeche, pictured right, is another LBC Box recipient. Many of the gifted LBC boxes shipped in 2014 reached small village churches new to Caleb Ministries from the journey last February-March 2013.



Nigerian Caleb workers at **Amaezu in Ohaukwu District, Nigeria**
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At Light Under The Bridge, Thanksgiving bought a special meal and gifts for **Seattle's' homeless, story on P. 3**

whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward.
Matt 10:42

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AFRICA CALEB OUTREACH REPORT

The Caleb Africa Ministry under Director Chibuzor Eze just completed their first outreach to Amaezu in Ohaukwu local government area of Ebonyi state, Nigeria. This is the main battlefield area other than Jos Plains where Boko Haran attacks are occurring regularly. The team included three volunteer Christian doctors, Director Chibuzor Eze and his wife who also is a nurse, as well as hired guards. The team treated 47 patients and gave food to 83 people. Food items included garri, yam, rice, beans and oil.

The team stocked up for the journey with 6 bags of rice, 65 tubers of yam, 5 big bags of onions, cooking oil and cray fish. For medicines



they took pain reliever drugs, anti malaria drugs, Hypertensive drugs and multivitamins. The trip resulted in plans for another trip by the end of 2015 to the battlefield area of Jos Plains, conducted jointly with Divine Care , a non-governmental charity they have partnered with previously. Divine Care operates medical clinics, hospitals and pharmaceutical resources in Nigeria. Caleb Ministries has donated \$1,000 to sponsor this next trip, Pictured left are yam logs in Lagos marketplace from file photo of 2009 trip.



PHILIPPINES JOURNEY 2015

Around midnight January 13th Director Riess will fly out to The Philippines via Taiwan to start his 2015 evangelism trip. The itinerary is available on the Caleb website and as a pdf printout from the site for those who wish to follow the daily travels and pray for Jerry. See www.calebgoodnews.org The itinerary includes villages from Abra to Mindanao with most stops being one or two days at most, preaching three times each day.

Frequently Asked for Items:

Caleb has been asked for the following items by churches and/or villages:

Medications—over-the-counter medications/half used medicines (call Connie Phillips at 206.200.7893 to verify usability).

Clothing—Linens, cloth, light-weight summer clothing, shoes (especially flip-flops), winter clothing, & larger sized clothing. Romania is seeking heavier clothing and donations of food items to minister to the poor .

Baby blankets & quilts

Food—rice, beans, Spam, canned meats of any kind. Velveeta cheese, canned cocoa, and powdered milk

Musical Instruments (small)—accordions, harmonicas, violins, keyboards, etc.

Hygiene items—toothbrushes, scented soap, travel-sized shampoo and toothpaste, and band-aids

Bibles—and books on Scripture, study Bibles.

All forms of school supplies.

KENYA GRANT RECIPIETS

The orphanage in Kenya received our grant in a timely fashion and is now asking for more support. We are referring them to other programs for ongoing aid. Unfortunately, just after the last request we received word one of our Kenya pastors was severely injured. Bishop Benard Onganga who visited us in 2013 was critically injured in a car crash that took the lives of 6 other pastors. He has since recovered but the hospital sought to sell his home and church to pay for their services.



Bishop Benard Onganga

Caleb Ministries provided a grant of funds to save his compound and his home.



LIGHT UNDER THE BRIDGE: THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS EVENTS

The Holidays were made brighter for many of Seattle's homeless this year by Shorewood Foursquare Church. Not only did the members purchase and prepare most of the food, the students in the school took on projects to buy gifts of socks, toothpaste and brushes, hats, gloves, mufflers, and other items.



The Westside Foursquare Church and other Caleb support groups stepped up as well. Many sleeping bags, tents, and lots of food were

given out over the two holiday weekends along with the continued weekly preparation of a good hot meal, worship time and sermon teaching. We see success stories nearly weekly of people coming off the streets, entering programs at halfway houses, or returning to their families from this vibrant ministry. Other contributors for the holiday program included Transform Burien, The Paralyzed American Veterans, The Bridges, and World Vision.

Vindicate the weak and fatherless; Do justice to the afflicted and destitute. Psalm 82:3

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Bible Study meets each Friday night at 7 pm at Caleb House. A light meal is provided. The subject is Day of Discovery programs on the Ministry of Jesus, presently studying the Feasts & Festivals of The Bible.

Next Caleb Movie is scheduled for March 15th at Westside Foursquare Church at 7 pm. The movie is **"Homerun"**, an engrossing story of a rising baseball star and his battle with addictions and pride. The movie shows the value of the Celebrate Recovery Program in getting lives back together. The movie is licensed to Caleb Ministries for public showing from Provident Films!

Each Saturday is Light Under The Bridge at Bayview Street at 10 AM including breakfast and worship **service. Volunteers meet at Tully's on Airport Way at 9:30** am to pray first.

Packing parties are the last Friday of each month, the next being February 27th at 10 am .

Letter from the Director

For those of you who didn't know, a very fine birthday dinner was held at Westside Foursquare Church on December 12th, which was my 75th birthday. Put together by generous supporters who wish to remain anonymous, the event brought in such gifts as 75 home-baked cookies, 75 marbles, 75 dimes, 75 boxes of crayons, 75 pens and pencils, and even 75 sacks of rice! I am so thankful for these thoughtful gifts and I cannot think of a better way to have commemorated my 75th year! The gifts were shipped with 21 LBC boxes on December 29th or were added to the New Years Eve candy packing party supplies where we assembled 6,000 candy packs being given to children in The Philippines.

Donations, ticket sales and the dessert auction brought in nearly \$4,500.00 which has been applied to our shipping expenses. The Receipts for Caleb Ministry in 2014 were \$58,986.92 and expenses were \$62,073.04 with Grants to church programs or needs overseas of \$15,025.00, Program services overseas (food, medicines bibles, candy pack supplies) \$19,629.83, and shipping expenses of LBC boxes and Romanian Boxes of \$22,606.80. All personnel are volunteers and we continue to operate with wide public support from many fine Christian families and individuals. Caleb Good News Ministries is truly blessed!

Jerry Brian Riess



Dessert Auction